(c) whether Government are considering to bring those deposits within the purview of the Consumer Protection Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) In its Order dated 26th August, 1993 in the case of Neela Vasant Raje Vs. Amogh Industries and ANR, the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission has held that inviting deposits from the public promising to pay attractive rates of interest and giving assurance of safety and security of the money so deposited, the non-banking companies and firms are rendering a service to the public and such activities of the company or firm fall within the purview of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986.

Stock position of CIL

755. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present stock position of coal with the Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries;

(b) what is the present position of dues of CIL outstanding against each of the power generation units and the State Electricity Boards (SEBs) as on 30th June, 1994; and

(c) what steps Government have so far taken to recover the outstanding dues and also to ensure adequate and prompt supply of good quality coal to the power generation units and State Electricity Boards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) The coal stock position in various coal producing subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd. (CIL) and in North Eastern Coalfields as on 30.6.94 was as under:—

Name of the company	Stock (in MT.)
Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL)	5.24
Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL)	11.88
Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL)	9.40
Northern Coalfields Ltd. (NCL)	0.63
Western Coalfields Ltd. (WCL)	2.79
South Eastern Coalfieds Ltd. (SECL)	5.89
Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. (MCL)	3.93
North Eastern Coalfields (NEC)	0.85
Total (CIL):	40.61

(b) The outstanding dues from each of the State Electricity Boards (SEBs and Power Utilities to CIL as on 9th July 1994 are given in the Statement (See below).

(c) The supply of coal to power sector is given too most priority and is monitored on a daily basis, Corrective action is taken wherever necessary. Steps being taken to recover the current dues and arrears include the following:

(i) Ministry of Coal has advised coal companies to supply coal to power houses only against advance payments or letters of credits.

(ii) Ministries of Power and Coal are holding periodical discussions with defaulting

State Electricity Boards to clear outstanding dues of coal companies.

(ii) Coal companies are also holding discussions with State Electricity Boards to reconcile the outstanding and to persuade them to make payments.

Statement

Outstanding dues from SEBs/Power Utilities to CIL as on 9-7-94

(Data Provisional)
(Rs. in crores)

Electricity Board/Power Utilities	Disputed	Undisputed	Total
1. Andhra Pradesh Electricity Board	7.50	0.01	7.51
2. Ahmedabad Electric Company	20.68	2.41	23.09
3. Badarpur Thermal Power Station	191.19	258.43	449.62
4. Bihar State Electricity Board	16.13	26.79	42.92
5. Calcutta Electric Supply Company	2.74	1.01	3.75
6. Damodar Valley Corporation	45.86	255.06	300.92
7. Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking	39.97	31.26	71.23
8. Durgapur Projects Ltd.	11.85	101.90	113.75
9. Gujarat State Electricity Board	41.91	120.75	162.66
10. Haryana State Electricity Board	111.24	54.35	165.59
11. Karnataka Power Corpn. Ltd.	6.47	--1.85	4.62
12. Madhya Pradesh State Electricity Board	22.97	20.21	43.18
13. Maharashtra State Electricity Board	303.57	99.85	403.42
14. National Thermal Power Corpn.	107.82	83.28	191.10
15. Orissa State Electricity Board	0.12	36.99	37.11
16. Punjab State Electricity Board	164.52	125.02	289.54
17. Rajasthan State Electricity Board	16.04	58.54	74.58
18. Tamil Nadu Electricity Board	128.83	41.38	170.21
19. Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board	129.20	164.66	293.86
20. West Bengal State Electricity Board	1.81	194.02	195.83
21. West Bengal Power Development Corpn.	0.34	254.75	255.09
22. Others	7.54	1.08	8.62
TOTAL	1378.30	1929.90	3308.20